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45 min PART I: Consultant Presentation

Welcome and Introductions

Acknowledgements

Project Process, Schedule,

Methodology

Key Issues

Next Steps

45 min PART 2: Public Input and Questions

15 min PART 3: Comment Cards and Emails

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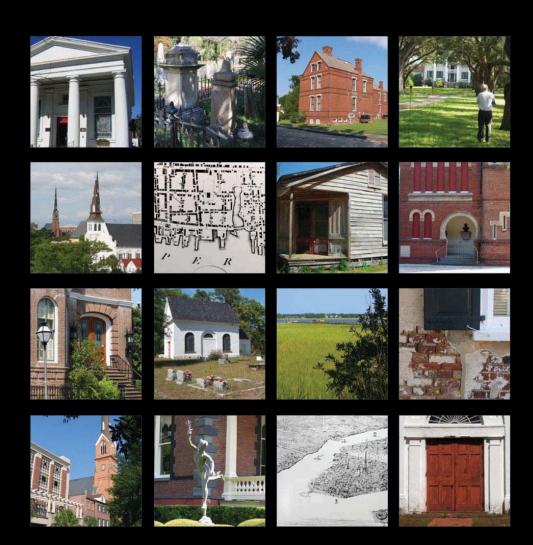




Yvonne Fortenberry, City of Charleston

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Meeting Agenda



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CITY OF CHARLESTON

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Yvonne Fortenberry
Eddie Bello
Debbi Rhoad Hopkins



Kitty Robinson Winslow Hastie

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM

Ashley Robbins
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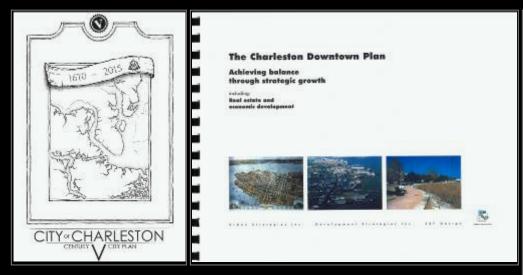
Preservation Plans elements:

- Individual resources
- Contributing resources
- Historic districts
- Overlay districts
- Planning principles
- □ Zoning
- Incentives
- Design Guidelines
- Design review criteria

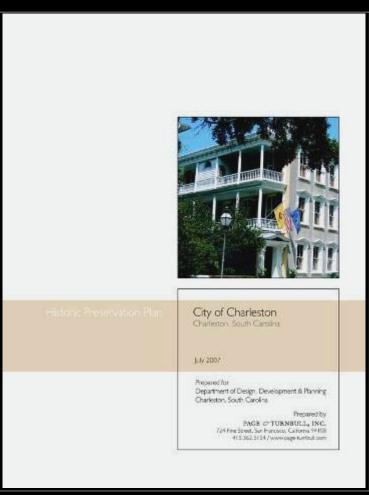
Preservation Plans vary widely from those that are very broad to those that are highly specific.

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What makes a Preservation Plan?



The Preservation Plan is meant to be used in conjunction with other planning documents.



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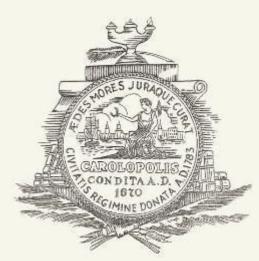
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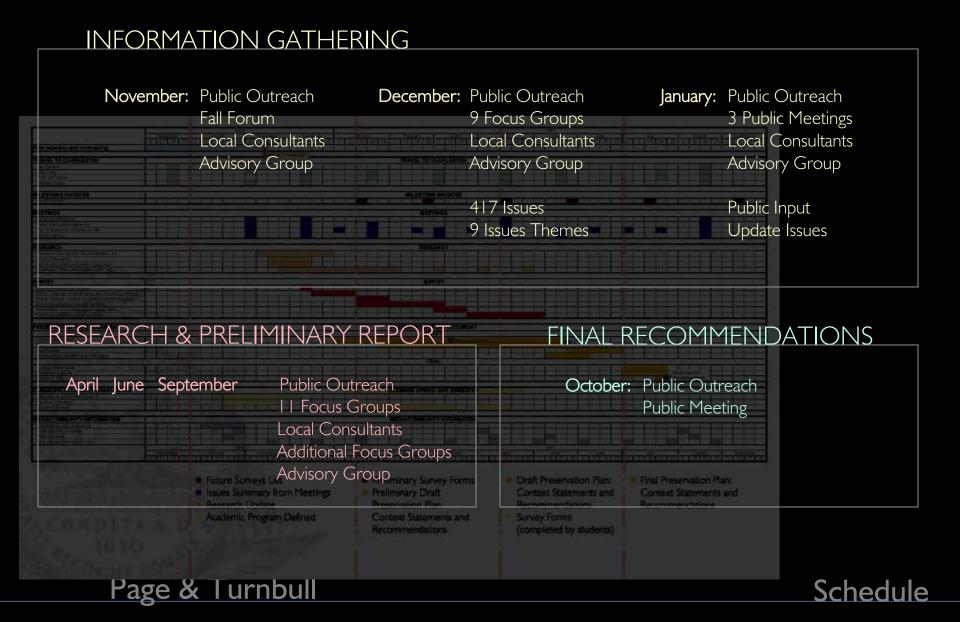
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PUBLIC INPUT

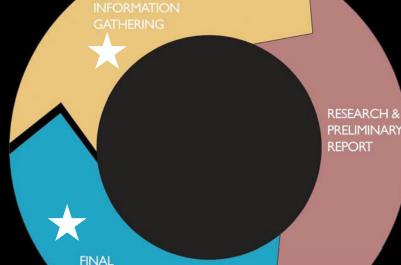
Hold public meetings and workshops to gather information

EVALUATION

Make recommendations based on research and issues and produce the plan document

SYNTHESIS

Form public responses into individual issues



RESEARCH

Look at how other cities deal with some of the issues facing Charleston

STUDENT SURVEY

Supervise pilot survey completed by College of Charleston students

COORDINATION

Coordinate efforts and gather input from the City & citizens of Charleston

VERIFICATION

Report back to the public and collect feedback on the direction of the plan

RECOMMENDATIONS

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Preservation Plan Progress

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QUALITY OF LIFE

Traffic & Transportation

- Cooper River Bridge access
- Public Transit/CARTA
- Corridors

Landscape

- Trees in public realm
- Trees on private property

Open Space



Drainage

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Architecture + Historic Preservation + Urban Planning

Public Meeting: Upper Peninsula: 29 January 2007

REGIONS

Upper Peninsula
Mid-Peninsula
Lower Peninsula
Off Peninsula
West Ashley / John's Island /
James Island / Cainhoy

WHAT WE FOUND

Consistent Themes, Different Issues

CATEGORIES OF CONCERNS

Quality of Life
Land Use
New Construction
Regulations and Review Processes
Standards and Level of Rehabilitation
Incentives and Public Education

CHARLESTON'S NEW PRESERVATION PLAN IS YOUR PLAN

The project team will receive your concerns and comments to:

- formulate what the plan needs to include, and
- identify creative solutions and ways to address your concerns.

500 People / I 500 Comments / 600 Recommendations www.charlestoncity.info

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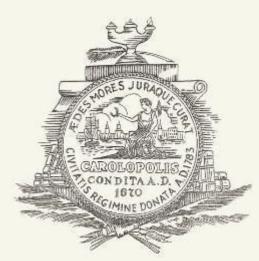
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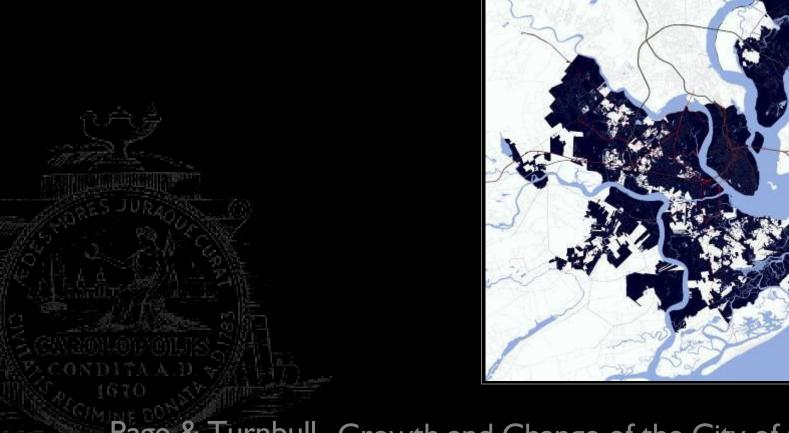
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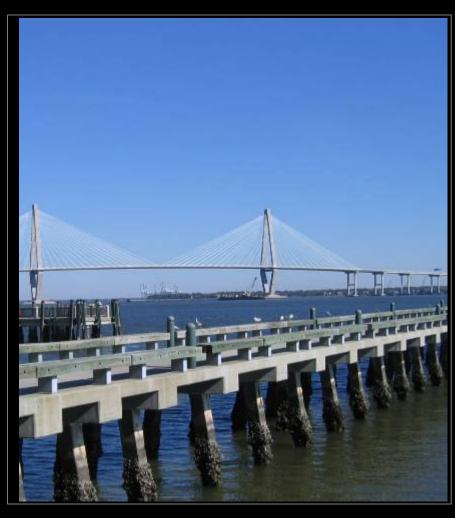
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Transportation

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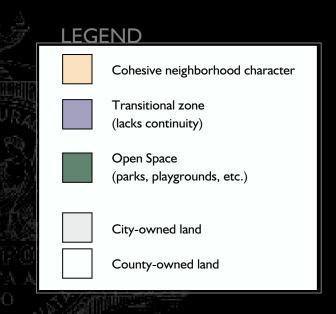


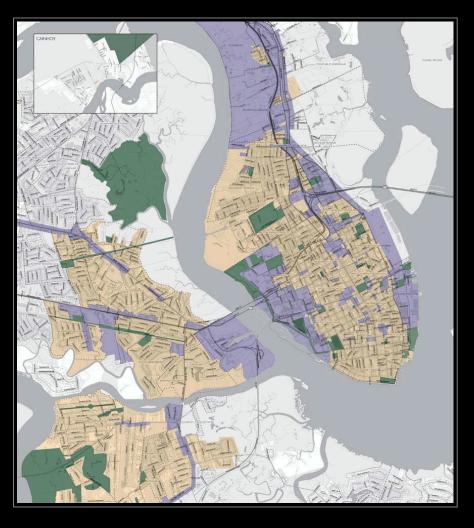
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Character Analysis

COHESIVE CHARACTER:

An area with shared or compatible design, form, scale, materials, and setting.





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Character Analysis

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Existing Individual Landmarks

Existing Historic Districts

Proposed extension of Historic Districts

Proposed "Peninsula City District"

Proposed Conservation Districts

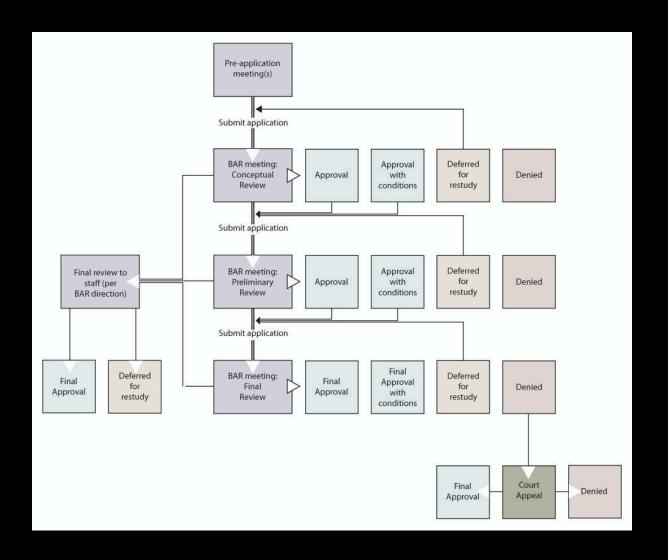
Portion of OCD to be reassigned to CCDRB

Existing Old City District



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Protection and Review







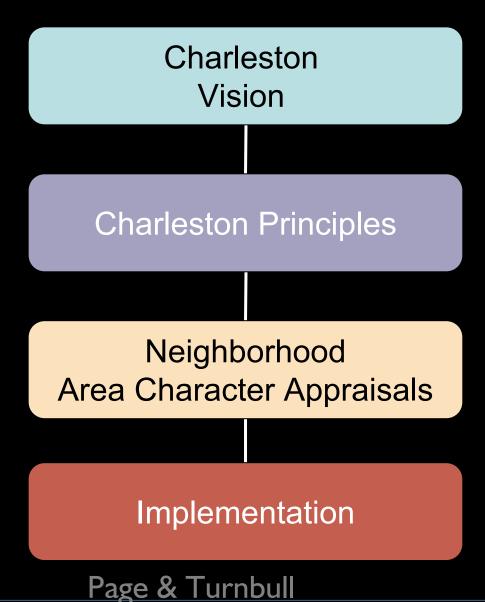


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The Vision for Preservation

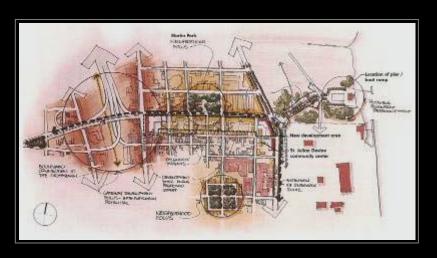
- I. Charleston will look like Charleston, with recognition that each of the city's different parts has a distinct and valuable fabric.
- 2. The Peninsula will remain a relatively dense urban center.
- 3. Rural landscapes will be protected with planning and conservation tools.
- 4. Suburban neighborhoods will have development in keeping with the suburban genre and with an eye toward reducing sprawl.

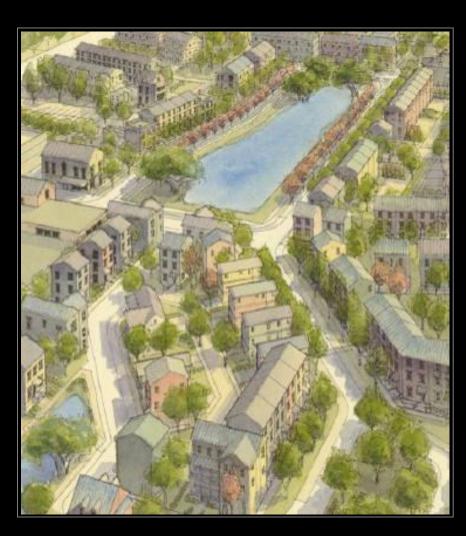
- 5. Denser urban architecture will be encouraged in larger infill developments on the Peninsula, balanced with publicly accessible open space.
- 6. High-quality architecture and building materials will be expected of all projects in the city.
- 7. Longstanding communities are essential to maintaining Charleston's culture and will be preserved through a mix of housing options and prices.
- 8. Charleston will be a responsible city: The effect of development on environmental and cultural sustainability will be considered in planning decisions.



From Vision to Reality







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Urban Design Principles

- Design
- Height
- Scale
- Architectural Rhythm
- Siting
- Materials
- Exceptions

I. Design

- The design shall reference but not imitate neighboring buildings.
- The design shall insist that the building stands in Charleston, a place with notable architectural vitality, not on a generic highway or strip mall.

2. Height

- The building shall be roughly the same height as neighboring buildings. If it is taller, its function or location shall warrant the increased height.
- The building shall not interrupt the view of the city's historic skyline, the block, or important viewsheds to water
- The ratio of floor-to-floor heights shall be similar to that of neighboring buildings.

3. Scale

- The building's architectural and massing elements shall be sized to the same scale as those of neighboring buildings.
- The building shall not visually overshadow or overwhelm existing buildings.

4. Architectural Rhythm

- The building elements shall visually reference neighboring buildings in the location and frequency of placement.
- If it is a larger building, the design shall visually separate its bulk into parts comparable to neighboring buildings.
- The proportion of fenestration, details, and solid-to-void ratios shall be compatible with those of surrounding buildings.

5. Siting

- The building shall occupy roughly the same place on the lot relative to neighboring buildings.
- The building shall not interrupt the view of the block.

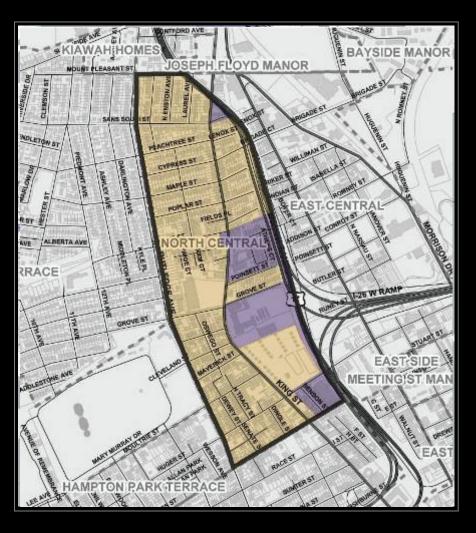
6. Materials

- The materials shall be of a high and lasting quality.
- Materials shall convey the quality of the design and craftsmanship.

7. Exceptions

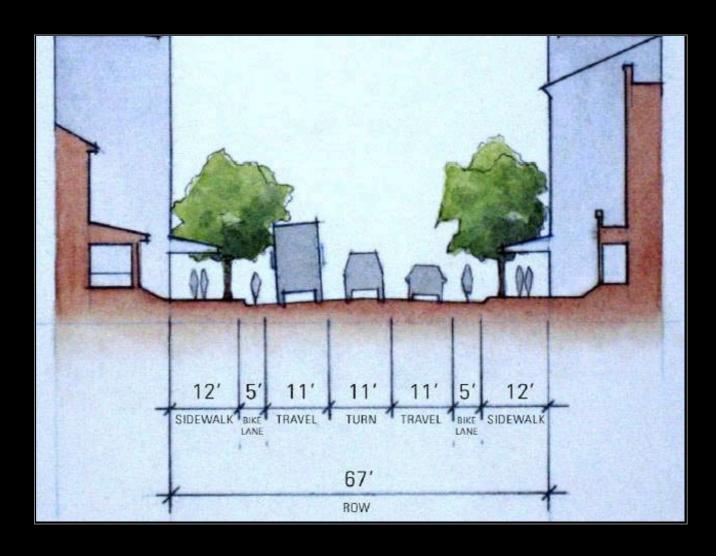
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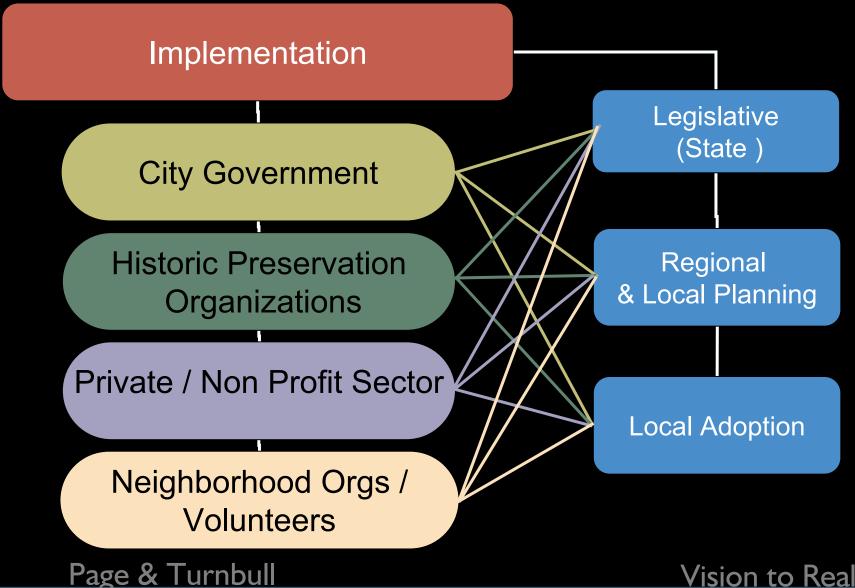
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Area Character Appraisals



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Neighborhood-Based Zoning Changes



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New Construction



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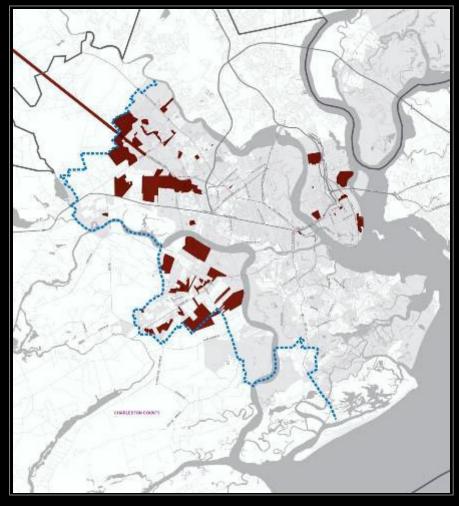
Planned new development

City-owned land

County-owned land

Urban growth boundary

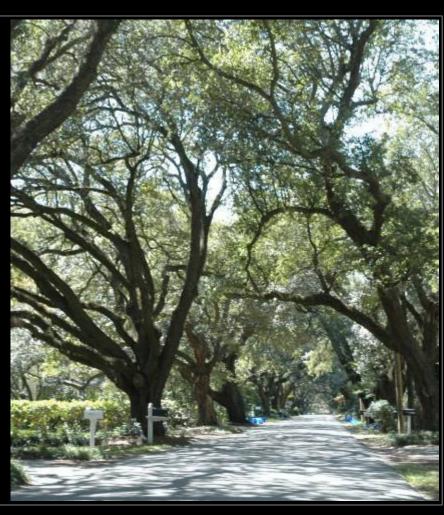
Charleston County boundary



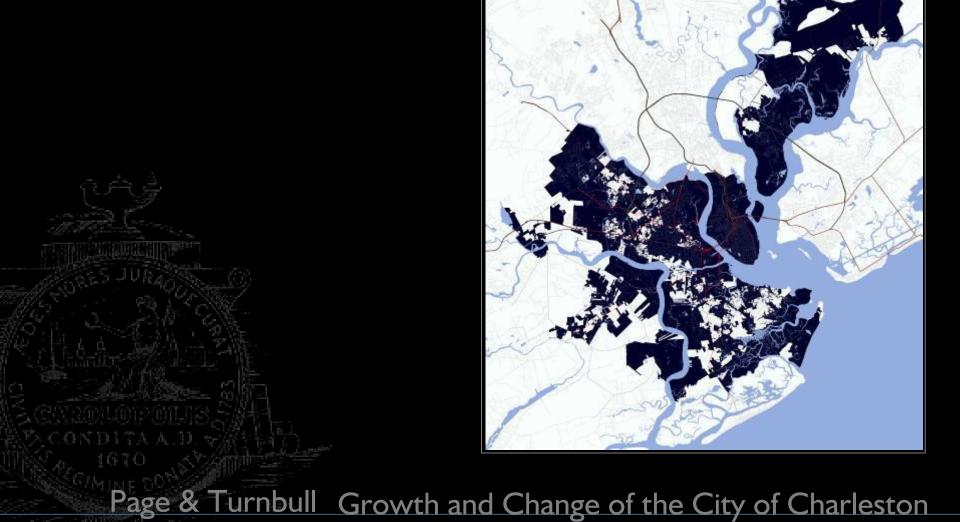
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Known Proposed New Development





Urban and Rural Preservation



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Historic Architecture Inventory, Lower Peninsula (1973 & 1986)

> Historical and Architectural Survey, James Island/Johns Island (1989)

Sullivan's Island, Isle of Palms, Mount Pleasant Historic District (before 1992)

> Historical and Architectural Survey, Charleston County (1992)

Historical and Architectural Survey, City of North Charleston (1995)

Historic Architectural Resources Survey, Upper Peninsula (2004)

Charleston County Boundary



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Survey Methodology

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Intensive-Level Surveys:



Historic Architecture Inventory (1972-73)



Historic Architecture Inventory Update (1986)



Historic Architectural Resources Survey, Upper Peninsula (2004)

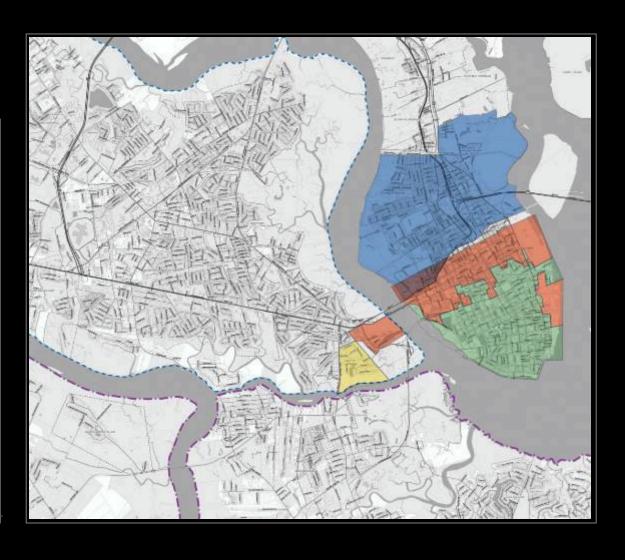


Crescent Neighborhood Survey (2005)

Reconnaissance-Level Surveys:

Johns Island/James Island Historical and Architectural Inventory (1989)

Charleston County Historical and Architectural Inventory (1991-92)



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Survey Methodology

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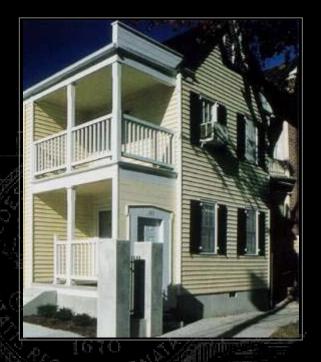
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Institutional Stewardship

- College of Charleston
- The Citadel
- Medical University of South Carolina
- State Ports Authority
- Trident Tech
- American College of the Building Arts

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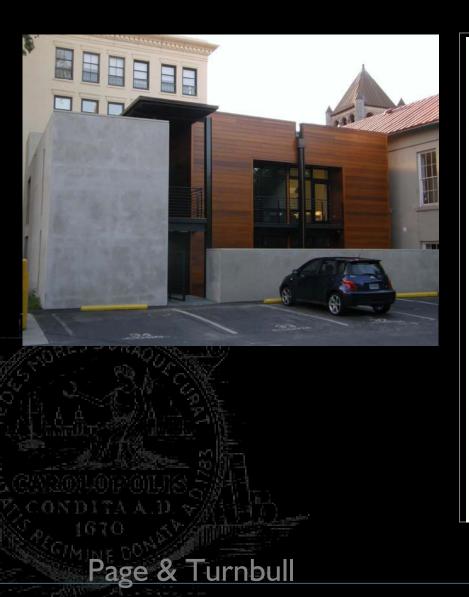


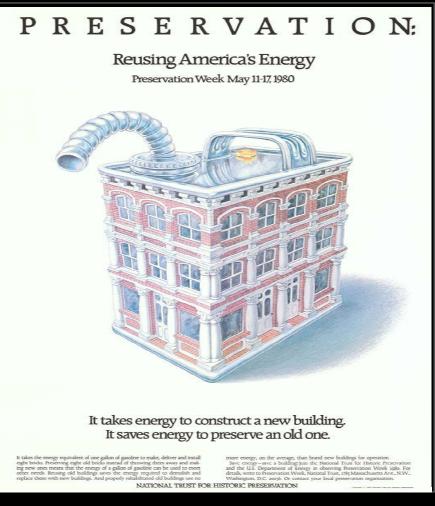


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Housing Affordability







Sustainability







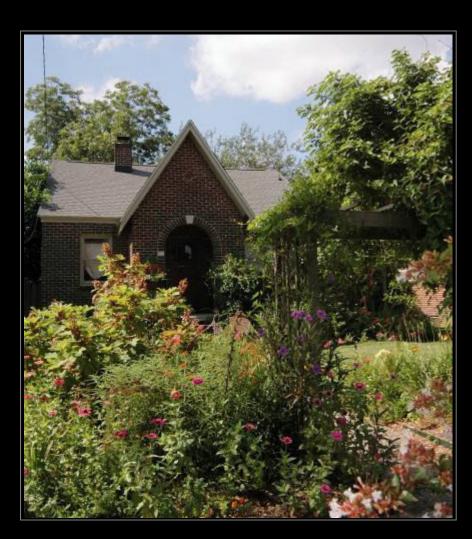
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Disaster Preparedness and Recovery

- Institutions
- Universal Design
- Housing Affordability
- Sustainability
- Archaeology
- Disaster Preparedness and Recovery



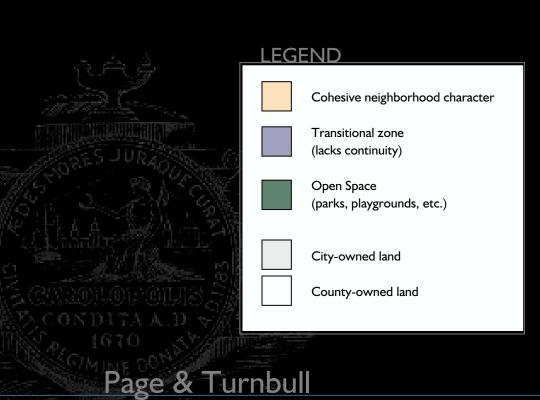




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Neighborhoods

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Upper Peninsula and Neck



AREA NEIGHBORHOODS

The Citadel Hampton Park Terrace Wagener Terrace North Central Silver Hill / Magnolia Rosemont





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Upper Peninsula and Neck

- Community Outreach and Input
- Dialogue on good urban design and development
- Develop Gateway to City
- Introduce New Charleston Typology
- Preserve Character Boundaries (ACA)
- Introduce Conservation Districts
- Protect Silver Hill and Rosemont through zoning
- BAR Review of National Register and Conservation Districts
- Amend Demolition Reviews to Mt. Pleasant Street: Change threshold from 75 to 50 years
- LONG TERM: BAR review south of Mt. Pleasant Street





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Mid-Peninsula

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AREA NEIGHBORHOODS

Cannonborough

Elliottborough

East Side

Radcliffeborough

Maczyck-Wraggborough

West Side





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Mid-Peninsula

- Community Outreach and Input
- Affordable Housing
- Protect Area Character (ACAs)
- New Construction and Infill
- Introduce New Charleston Typology
- Expand District Boundary
- Design Guidelines to meet FEMA requirements





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Lower Peninsula



AREA NEIGHBORHOODS

Charlestowne French Quarter Harleston Village Ansonborough **Upper Concord**





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Lower Peninsula

- Community Outreach and Input
- Dialogue on good urban design and development
- New Design: Scale and Massing
- Density (ACAs)
- Interiors
- Mixed Use





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Off-Peninsula

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AREA NEIGHBORHOODS

West Ashley James Island Johns Island Cainhoy





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Off-Peninsula

- Community Outreach and Input
- Preserve 20th Century Neighborhoods

 - □ Conservation Districts
- Beware of Sprawl
- Joint Regional Planning efforts with other cities and county government

- Preserve Open Space
 - □ West Ashley Entry Corridors
 - □ James Island McLeod Plantation
 - □ Johns Island Rural landscapes
 - □ Cainhoy Open Space Buffers
 - Traditional DevelopmentPatterns



WEST ASHLEY

- Joint Regional Planning Efforts
- Older Neighborhood Area
 Character appraisals

JAMES ISLAND

- Management Plans for major cultural resources (McLeod Plantation)
- Older Neighborhood Area Character appraisals

JOHNS ISLAND

 Preserve rural landscapes and historic resources

CAINHOY

- Joint Regional Planning with County Government
- Protect Historic Resources through Conservation District

- •Public Comments by 11/15/07
- Prepare Final Document
- Present to Planning Commission and City Council
- •Adopt as Comprehensive Plan Amendment
- Assertive Plan Implementation































